(b) and (c) A scheme has been formulated in this regard and is being followed up.

Impact of Master Plan of Delhi on Water Bodies

2142. SHRI VIJAY J. DARDA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the New Master Plan of Delhi prepared by the Delhi Development Authority has not been able to preserve the water bodies in its jurisdiction;

(b) if so, whether it would adversely affect the availability of water in the future; and

(c) what is the anticipated demand of water in the NCT of Delhi for the next ten year and the steps taken to ensure that requisite quantity of drinking water is available?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD) (a) and (b) Delhi Development (DDA) has reported that the draft Master Plan for Delhi-2021 (MPD-2021) has specifically incorporated the need for conservations of water bodies, through measures of recharging of ground water both in the context of environment and the provision of water supply as an element of physical infrastructure.

(c) According to the projections made in the draft MPD-2021, the estimated water requirement for NCT of Delhi for the year 2021 would be to the tune of 1150 mgd. Various measures proposed in the draft MPD-2021 to augment the water supply include:

(i) Recycling of treated waste with separate lines for potable and recycled water

(ii) Ground water recharging through rain water harvesting, conserving water bodies and controlling ground water extraction.

(iii) Introducing strict pollution control measures for Yamuna River, major drains and canals for improvement of quality of river water.

(iv) Introducing separate water lines in new areas for potable water and water use for washing, water coolers, etc. Checking of unrecorded usage through illegal taps and water connections to minimize loss of treated water.

(v) Augmentation of capacity of existing water treatment plants/ identification of new plants.

Funds for Sewage Disposal Project in Tamil Nadu

2143 SHRI E.M. SUDARSANA NATCHIAPPAN: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have provided any assistance for sewage disposal projects in Tamil Nadu during the years 2003-04 and 2004-05; and

(b) if so, the details thereof, district-wise?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD) (a) and (b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Master Plan for Delhi

2144. SHRI DARA SINGH CHAUHAN: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of new Master Plan for Delhi;

(b) whether proposals to allow more vertical construction and higher FAR are being included in the Master Plan keeping in view the reality of lakhs of houses having third and additional floors;

(c) whether there is also a proposal to allow any special development including vertical construction within 500 metres on both sides of the Metro route;

(d) whether this special development will allow for high rise buildings within this area; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD) (a) The draft Master Plan for Delhi-2021 (M.P.D.— 2021) has been prepared by the Delhi Development Authority (DDA) and the Central Government, in accordance with the provisions of the Delhi Development Act, 1957 has permitted DDA to notify the same for inviting objections/ suggestions from the public within a period of 90 days.